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CHAPTER XX—OFFICE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND REGULATORY FUNCTIONS, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. R-77-390]

PART 3283—MOBILE HOME CONSUMER MANUAL REQUIREMENTS

Delay of Effective Date

AGENCY: Department of Housing and Urban Development.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This amendment delays until July 31, 1977, the effective date of the rule governing Mobile Home Consumer Manuals issued on March 31, 1977, at 42 FR 17294. The original effective date was June 30, 1977. This amendment is necessary, because the Department feels some manufacturers may need additional time to comply with the Mobile Home Consumer Manual requirements.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 30, 1977.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Several manufacturers have commented to the Department that they need more time in order to comply with the consumer manual rule. The Department is issuing this as a final rule without opportunity for public comment because the Department finds that it would not be in the public interest to require compliance with the regulation where compliance cannot realistically be expected. Because the regulations would otherwise go in effect on June 30, 1977, it is necessary to issue this rule without public comment and to make this rule effective on June 30, 1977.

A finding of Inapplicability of Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 has been made in accordance with HUD Handbook 1390.1. It is available for public inspection in the Office of the Rules Docket Clerk, Room 5218, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Washington, D.C. 20410, during normal business hours.

NOTE.—It is hereby certified that the economic and inflationary impacts of this final rule have been carefully evaluated in accordance with Executive Order No. 11821.

Accordingly, Chapter XX of 24 CFR, Part 3283 is amended as follows:

1. By revising § 3283.1 to read as follows:

§ 3283.1 Scope.

This part sets out the requirements that shall be met by mobile home manufacturers and dealers in order to assure that consumer manuals containing appropriate information are provided to mobile home purchasers as required by section 617 of the National Mobile Home Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. 5416. This subpart sets out the definitions applicable to the Part and the requirement that a consumer manual be provided with each mobile home that enters into the first stage of production or or after July 31, 1977.

2. By revising § 3283.3 to read as follows:

§ 3283.3 Manual requirement; effective date.

A consumer manual shall be provided by the manufacturer with each mobile home that enters the first stage of production on or after July 31, 1977. The manual shall be provided as set out in Subpart B of this part.

3. By revising paragraph (a) of § 3283.52 to read as follows:

§ 3283.52 Manual distribution.

(a) Each manufacturer shall provide a consumer manual with each mobile home that enters the first stage of production on or after July 31, 1977, by placing a manual in each such mobile home before the mobile home leaves the manufacturing plant. The manual shall be placed in a conspicuous location in a manner likely to assure that it is not removed until the purchaser removes it.

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(Secs. 617 and 625 of the National Mobile Home Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. 5416 and 5424, and sec. 7(d) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act, (42 U.S.C. 3535 (d).))

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